

This matter has been referred for settlement. Dkt. No. 127. Should the parties wish to schedule a settlement conference, the Parties are directed to contact Courtroom Deputy Christopher Davis via email by August 7, 2023 at WillisNYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov to provide three mutually agreeable dates in September, October, or November. Any conference will be held in-person at Courtroom 228, 40 Foley Square, New York, New York. Should the Parties not wish to schedule a settlement conference at this time, they should inform the Court via email by the same deadline.

Parties must attend in-person with their counsel. Corporate parties must send the person with decision making authority to settle the matter to the conference. The parties are instructed to prepare pre-conference submissions in accordance with Judge Willis's <u>Standing Order for All Cases Referred for Settlement</u>.

Should either Party wish to discuss a possible declaration of bankruptcy, a limited ability to pay a jury award, or lack of access to cash to fund a settlement, the Parties are strongly encouraged to discuss such issues with opposing counsel prior to

the settlement conference, and to provide documents in their confidential *ex parte* letters that speak to their financial condition.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: New York, New York

July 25, 2023

JENNIFER E. WILLIS

United States Magistrate Judge